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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS INCREASE

Both the total payments for Old Age Assistance and the number of recipients continued to mount in November, according to the statistical summary of the Health and Welfare Department issued today. At the same time, the application rate continued to increase, showing a 65% increase over the corresponding five month period in 1948. The number of cases added to the OAA rolls for the first five months of the fiscal year showed an increase of 46% over the same period in the previous fiscal year. The average payment per case was 28% higher than for November of last year.

Old Age Assistance payments for the month of November were \$618,656.00, an increase of 36% over November of 1948. The average grant has increased \$9.82 per month in a year's period of time. Commissioner David H. Stevens said that an analysis of cases recently approved for payment indicated an increased number of persons making application because unemployment benefits had been exhausted. In addition, there was an increase in the number of persons who have lost employment through lay-offs and discharges. The fact that some relatives, legally responsible for the support of their aged parents, were now out of work or that their earnings had been materially decreased was another factor that resulted in the increased OAA costs, the Commissioner added. He also pointed out that Maine's population group of age 65 and over continued to be one of the three largest in the United States.

PUBLICITY BUREAU HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING ON JAN. 16

An extensive revision of the By-Laws of the Maine Publicity Bureau will be submitted to the membership at the annual meeting in Portland on Monday, January 16, according to notices mailed out this week. Nearly all changes are designed to provide wider representation on the Board of Directors and Advisory Committee to conform with the expanded membership obtained during the past year's Boost Maine Campaign.

As recommended by the Board of Directors, the present board would be enlarged to three directors from each county, instead of one as at present, in addition to not more than 25 directors at large. The present limitation of the State-wide Advisory Committee to 100 members also would be removed. An innovation is provision for creation of County Panels, composed of Directors and Advisory Committee members in each county for better liaison between the Bureau and the members in the respective counties. These panels could be convened at any time at the call of the Board of Directors, the President, the Board chairman or the panel chairman.

Provision for holding the annual meeting in Portland, fixed at the time of the founding of the Bureau in 1922, would henceforth be decided each year by the Board of Directors, to allow the Annual Meeting to be held at other places within the State.

Guy P. Butler, Secretary of the Corporation and Executive Manager of the Bureau, said the By-Laws Revision was the most extensive since the last revision in 1940.

MUST HAVE APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT HOME MEDICAL CARE IN SERVICE DISABILITY

Dr. Lorimer Schmidt, chief, outpatient division, Veterans Administration Center, Togus, Maine, reminded service-connected disabled veterans seeking home-town medical care that approval must first be obtained from the VA Center, Togus, or VA Office, Portland, if they expect the Veterans Administration to pay the bill for such treatment.

"An increasing number of claims for reimbursement have come to the VA Board of Appeals from Veterans who failed to obtain VA approval before receiving treatment from their home-town doctors," Dr. Schmidt explained. "Except for those cases where it was found that emergency treatment for a service-connected disability had been necessary, the claims have been disallowed."

Approval cannot be given on either emergency or non-emergency requests for home-town medical care if a VA hospital or out-patient clinic is feasibly available, according to Dr. Schmidt. Neither is home town medical care available to non-service-connected cases under the law.



The Week in Bethel

Mrs. Guy Swan is ill at her home on Vernon Street.

Gerard Paul has completed his work as cook at the Hotel Sudbury.

Mrs. Maude Rice of Norway is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Rice and family.

Dr. and Mrs. John Matheson and little son are on a 10 day visit with their parents in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Royden Keddy of Boston were week end guests at Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Keddy's.

George Harlow is again confined to his home by illness after being able to be out doors for several weeks.

A food sale for the benefit of the East Bethel primary school will be held at Brooks' store Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

William Davis and friend of New York are visiting Mr. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Davis, at the Hotel Sudbury.

David Bennett of Wentworth Institute, Boston, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bennett.

Miss Alice Mundt of Worcester, Mass., has been spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mundt, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Forbes and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowell and family were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chandler at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford MacLaughlin and son Berkeley of Bucksport were week end guests of her father, R. L. Gilman, and other relatives in town. Roger Adams returned with them for a visit.

Roy William Penner, daughters Amy and Gertrude, and son Billy of Barnet, Vt., were visitors in town Monday. From here Gertrude went to Mexico to visit friends and Billy remained here the guest of Carlton Brown until Wednesday.

Myron Scarborough has been discharged from Battle Mountain Sanatorium, Hot Springs, S. D., where he has been a patient two years. Mrs. Scarborough recently has received a degree of bachelor of science in education from the South Dakota State Teachers College.

Dining recently in the colorful southwestern dining room of Camelback Inn, desert resort near Phoenix, Arizona, were Mr. and Mrs. William Von Zinti, Miss Laura Inman and Miss Geneva Johnston, all of Bethel. The party is on a trip through the Southwest and will return home Jan. 7.

Jason Smith was the local winner last week of the nine foot Crosley refrigerator given by the local dealer, Warren Bean. Mr. Smith has entered the national contest of the Crosley company, the prize being a complete Crosley kitchen. Bethel people are much pleased by Mr. Smith's success, and hope that good fortune will continue with the family.

An enjoyable Christmas Day was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Rice and family. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlton Lapham, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Cross and family, Mrs. Ethel Cross, Mr. and Mrs. C. Everett Cross, Mrs. Maude Lapham, Misses Claire and Nellie Lapham, all of Locke Mills; Roy Smith and Kenneth Swan of Bryant Pond. A Christmas tree was enjoyed before noon and then lunch was served to 23 people.

AMERICAN LEGION

The Legion Post, and its members distributed eight Christmas baskets to the needy in this district.

National Headquarters of the American Legion has asked all Legion Posts to collect unused toys to be sent to the children overseas, who were not fortunate to receive any toy at Christmas, and stressed that they do not want any toy to do with war, as they have seen enough of that. If anyone has toys contact Legion members and they will call for them.

Floyd Donahue of Norway was a guest at E. O. Donahue's Monday.

Mrs. Jason Smith returned home last week and is able to be around the house.

Richard Perkins spent the week end at Milford, Conn., with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brown entertained a family party at their home on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Dorion of Bucksport were week end guests of his mother, Mrs. Ruth Dorion.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sorofman and son are spending some time with Mr. Sorofman's parents at Rumford.

Mrs. Norris Brown returned Saturday from the Rumford Community Hospital. Baby Vicki will remain there for a while.

Miss Vivian Neal of New Canaan, Conn., and Harold Chapman of Orono are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Potter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Robertson and son Denny are spending some time with Mr. Robertson's mother, Mrs. Mabel Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kneeland and Linda and Mrs. Mabel Robertson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Kneeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ireland and three children of Bradford, Vt., spent the holiday week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Ireland.

Mrs. John Doble of Milo and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sargent and daughters, Joan and Joyce, of Norway were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Christie and family.

The Bethel Lions Club held a supper and meeting at the Hotel Sudbury Tuesday evening. Sun Smith spoke briefly preceding the showing of the submarine picture "Silent Service." Hugh Thurston and Norman Dock will be in charge of the entertainment at the next meeting on Jan. 9.

Mrs. Dean Brundage, a summer resident of Sunday River, is a patient in the George Washington hospital, Washington, D. C., recovering from injuries including a broken arm and collar bone received in a fall.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. I. French were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sweet, South Paris; Harold Sweet, Westbrook; Esther and Richard Williamson, Upton; Phyllis Williamson, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bean, Roberta and Charles Bean, Sunday River; and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hodson, Bethel.

Harold L. Chapman, seaman, USN, is serving aboard the USS Ault in the Mediterranean. Plans were made for the crew of the Ault to share their Christmas with a group of underprivileged children from Rouen, France. After a program including a turkey dinner, carols and movies, the children were to receive candy and nuts and be taken on a conducted tour of the ship.

The Men's Brotherhood held the regular supper and meeting at the Methodist Church Tuesday evening. Superintendent Donald Christie gave a report on the work of the school survey committee. At the next meeting Jan. 31 Earl Davis will be in charge of entertainment. The supper committee is James Brown, Clayton Blake and Richard Davis.

Mrs. A. Van Den Kerkhofen entertained at a family party on Dec. 26. Smogobord was served at 1 o'clock. In the afternoon carols and canasta were enjoyed. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Van Den Kerkhofen, Eugene Jr., Lois Ann and Fritzle, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Van Den Kerkhofen, Nancy and Judith, Mrs. Grace Macfarlane and Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tikander and Sandy, and the hostess.

STORE OPENING NEXT WEEK
Agency Velbo Cleaners
ELMER BEAN



MR. AND MRS. ROY LURVEY

LOCAL LEGION POST VOTES TO CHANGE NAME

At the regular meeting of George A. Mundt Post, American Legion, Tuesday evening, it was voted to change the name of the post to Mundt-Allen Post, No. 81, American Legion. The new name will honor the first men to give their lives in World Wars I and II. Pfc. George A. Mundt met death at Alame Marne on July 19, 1918, and Ensign Stanley W. Allen lost his life on board the U. S. S. Oklahoma at Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941.

NOONDAY FIRE DAMAGES NORTH BETHEL HOME

Fire damaged one room in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Robertson (the former John Philbrook farm) near Sunday River bridge, Monday noon. The blaze evidently started around the electric wiring. The fire department was called.

ELEANOR GORDON GUILD

The Eleanor Gordon Guild held a Christmas party Wednesday, Dec. 21, with the men as guests. A movie, "Strictly in the Groove" was shown by Addison Saunders. A Christmas tree was enjoyed after the movie. Refreshments were served.

The Guild thanks Mr. Saunders very much for the use of his movie projector and the giving of his time for entertainment.

The hostesses were: Mrs. Roger Foster, Mrs. Clayton Blake, Mrs. Albert Buck. Entertainment was in charge of Mrs. Ernest Gallant and Mrs. William Roberts. Decorations were in charge of Mrs. Donald Walker and Mrs. Mary Philbrick. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Frederick Kneeland with Mrs. Wallace Saunders as co-hostess, on January 11.

ZETA CHAPTER MEETS AT DIXFIELD ON DEC. 19

The Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority held its Christmas party at the Legion Hall in Dixfield at noon on Saturday, Dec. 19 with 11 members present. A delicious Christmas dinner was served by the hostesses: Mrs. Janice Starbird, Dixfield; Mrs. Ada Bracy and Mrs. Hazel Towle, Dixfield. A business meeting followed the dinner Christmas selections were given by Carol Dunham, pianist, and Shirley Garno, flutist. The group enjoyed carol singing. Gifts from the Christmas tree were distributed by Miss Helen Varner, Bethel, who was on the program committee. Those present besides those already mentioned were Mrs. Marjorie Banas, Miss Julia Murphy, Rumford; Miss Eleanor Wood, Farmington; Miss Nellie Nicholson, Lewiston; Miss Agnes Gray, West Paris; Mrs. Eugene Staples, Oxford; Mrs. Bernice Greenleaf, Norway.

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PLAN FOR POLIO FUND DRIVE NEXT MONTH

A meeting for organization of committees in charge of the March of Dimes in this vicinity, Jan. 16-30, was held at the American Legion Home Wednesday evening. The drive will be sponsored by the Mundt-Allen Post, No. 81, American Legion with John Compass as chairman. The Legion committee includes Edmond Vachon, Frank Nary, Raymond Dexter and Herbert Kiltroge.

Chairmanships of the local organizations are as follows: All schools, Edmond Vachon; Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce, Addison Saunders; Odd Fellows, Rodney Hanscom; Masons, Norris Brown; Eastern Star, Mrs. Richard Carter; Guild, Mrs. E. F. Ireland; Eleanor Gordon Guild, Mrs. Clayton Blake; Rebekahs, Mrs. Clayton Mills; Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Wilfred Baker; Middle Intervale Farm Bureau, Mrs. Augustus Carter; Alder River Grange, Augustus Carter; Skillington, Miss Frances Morrill. The town is to be plotted, so that each organization will cover the territory that has been assigned to them.

Committee chairmen were also named for the following places: Upton, Mrs. Pearl Weston; Newry, Mrs. Herbert Morton; Gilead, Mrs. Robert Chapman; West Bethel, Mrs. Joseph Perry. The committee will meet again on Monday, Jan. 9, at 7:00 p. m. at the Legion Home. It is expected that J. Harold McQuade, district chairman, of Rumford will give a talk as to the urgent need of this drive being a huge success. Moving pictures of polio will be shown and the public is invited to attend.

army uniforms. The bride's mother wore a dress of steel grey silk crepe; the groom's mother wore a dress of pale green silk crepe. Both had corsages of pink roses.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the church parlor which was decorated with green and silver and white candles. A three tiered wedding cake with the traditional bride and groom under wedding bell was given by Mrs. Harold Marahall. Punch was served by Mrs. Edward Carter and Mrs. Richard Carter. Ice cream, cakes, and coffee were enjoyed by 150 guests. Mrs. Helen Cummings was in charge of the guest book. The gift table was in charge of Olive Giddens, Betty Lou Bonovin and Carolyn Frost, all of Lewiston.

The bride is a registered nurse, a graduate of Gould Academy, class of 1946 and of the Central Maine General School of Nursing at Lewiston. The groom is a musician aboard the aircraft carrier, U. S. S. Boxer, off the West Coast. The couple left by train Dec. 27 for San Diego, Calif., where they will make their home.

BEANO GAME
Locke Mills Legion Hall
FRIDAY, DEC. 30
TWO HAMS
SUGAR SPECIAL
over 60-100 lbs.
under 50-60 lbs.
Blanket and Grocery Specials
Other Attractive Prizes
GAMES START AT 8:00

ANNOUNCEMENT

I have sold the Red & White Store at Locke Mills to

MR. ARTHUR VALLEY

who has had more than 20 years experience in the grocery business, and wish to express my appreciation to all my customers for their patronage. I am sure that Mr. Valley will deserve and appreciate your continued patronage. Mr. Norman Hall, who has been in the store during my ownership, will continue with Mr. Valley.

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**LOOKING
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Plea for Action

One reason why there is apt to be a battle in the coming Congress over taxes and government spending is that things have come to the place where everyone expects somebody else to do something about it. You see, everybody favors economy for the other person, or the other bureau. But nobody does anything much about it. America needs action, in this respect. I am hoping that every public servant, will take his cue and do exactly what everybody else expects of him: economize!

Such action on the part of Washington bureaucrats would be so out of the ordinary that it would result in reams of publicity for anyone willing to try it. Very likely, too, it would endear any bureaucrat to the public mind so much that his political fortunes would be made from that time on. I would like to see such a movement for eliminating waste and extravagance catch fire and get somewhere.

Crusty at the Top

But this big, growing formation of crust at the top knows well how to protect itself and whatever it holds within. Our biggest monopoly, "big government," is trying hard to keep in power and to withstand the advocates of economy. Big government is well-equipped to resist any effort to economize, particularly if it means lopping off personnel and offices. Each bureau is free to devote all the time and attention it wants to "keeping on."

When called upon for information or to testify before Congressional committees, these bureaucrats are always ready to present pleas for more money. But nobody has heard them make any real offers to economize. As for revealing their story to the public, the all-to-common attitude is that what the public doesn't know, and what the Congress doesn't know, won't hurt anybody. It would be real news indeed, if some bureau should offer to cut its budget for next year.

Political Spenders

Perhaps that is why our Senator, John McClellan has just suggested an accounting agency that would keep up with the doings of big government and report to the Congress in an unbiased manner on budgets and spending. That agency would cost money, itself. But the Senator's idea is that it would soon pay for itself — and more. How else asks the Senator, can Congress get information it can use in making intelligent appropriations?

Resistance to economy in government is terrific. Each and every bureau has its pet plans, and hardly a spending project in Washington is not somebody's pet. For either a bureaucrat or a Congressman to lose his responsibility around with the idea that all government spending is "just political" is simply to ignore realities and get in the usual Washington rut. We need men in government that are real public servants, not political spenders.

A Public Duty

It is obvious that not a single recommendation of the Hoover Committee could ever go into effect, as political spenders rule. Nor will any more of its recommendations be used, unless we have public servants willing to do what the people want done. The American people have a right to expect these politically chosen men, elected or appointed, to be real public servants. This includes practicing economy at all times, where the people's money is concerned.

This has not been the case in the past. Extravagance has been the rule of the day. We are now at the point where federal and local taxes consume more than 30

DALE CARNEGIE

AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING"

Don't Copy Others

DO YOU COPY someone else in your work? If you do, you will meet with only the success of a copyist, although you may be copying subconsciously. Nothing pays off like originality. Don't take this to mean wild-cat schemes, crazy ideas with an attempt to be different, but worthwhile, helpful sound measures or ideas that have not been used before.

Hy Landerer, of the Brandt theatres, New York City, tells a story of being surprised by his supervisor one day with, "Mr. Landerer, starting next week you will be permanent master of ceremonies at this theater." He says if he had been hit over the head with a bat he couldn't have been more stunned.



In a panicky frame of mind, he asked himself what to do. Should he imitate his predecessor in telling jokes and passing wisecracks to his audience? Yes, that was it. That was the answer. So he went out and purchased a joke book.

Honesty forced him to admit that telling jokes was not a natural talent with him; that truly good performers knew how to fit their jokes to the occasion; that a joke had to be spontaneous or it would appear mechanical, and would not be in the least funny.

Every morning he practiced on himself, and every evening after the theater had closed. He recited poetry to himself, read the Gettysburg address, tried to master the art of speaking before a microphone. But there was still the problem of what to say before an audience.

Then one day he ran into an old friend, a master hand, that well known comedian, Milton Berle, who said, "Hy, there are not two people who can tell a joke the same way and get the same result. Just remember that in your position, your patrons are coming to see the artists you introduce. So go on the stage, tell some interesting fact about the performer, announce his name clearly, and get off. Never attempt to imitate anybody; be yourself."

"That evening," says Hy, "I did just that, and I have met with success far greater than I had anticipated. Throughout the years I have carried that advice with me, and it has stood me in good stead always."

THIS WEEK IN Washington

APPARENTLY with President Truman's blessing, Secretary of Commerce Charles D. Sawyer has given the country, as far as business is concerned, a new and refreshing understanding of what the administration stands for in the economic picture.

In a recent New York speech, Secretary Sawyer, in outlining "the new liberalism," cut through some of the distortions which have been propagated by opposition to the administration and declared that what the administration seeks is a balance between economic groups based on "open-mindedness, flexibility and a constant reference to facts."

Sawyer, a businessman himself, has constantly sought to relax the hostility which has recently characterized the position of business toward the Truman administration. And he declares that "understanding, not hostility" is the keynote to coordinate the government's efforts toward monopoly and the restraint of trade.

Sawyer said that the only radical idea in the world was the idea of modest profits in an ever-expanding market. And that is exactly and only what this administration is asking of business . . . to forget the greedy profit motive . . . to forget about assessing the consuming public on the amount they think the traffic will bear.

He said that strict attention to facts, not propaganda, stresses the government's responsibility to provide statistics based on straight thinking. He made direct observation to the United Mine Workers pension fund in emphasizing that any pension fund not actuarially sound is a fraud and declared that upon this basis the unequal abilities of large and small business to pay pensions point to more, rather than less, government participation.

Secretary Sawyer went further to declare that "the best safeguard against the growth of communism is the growth of our economy and the participation of all our people in the benefits of our increasing power to produce."

LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

For folks who have not yet got around to their New Year's resolution and to do my first "good turn" for the new year—I have a suggestion. If it catches on to some percent of our national income, Experts say that a nation is taxed more than 28 per cent of its national income, disaster is ahead. The duty of economy lies heavily on every man in government. He must uphold economy as a principle, not just favor it for some other bureau.

Reports from Wisconsin lend credence to the story that David Lilienthal resigned as chairman of the atomic energy commission to run for the senate from Wisconsin. In this connection, the Milwaukee Journal warns Republicans that they stand a chance of losing control of the state. Says the Journal:

"When the Democratic party can throw a shindig in the Milwaukee auditorium in an off-election year, attract 1700 persons from around the state and raise nearly \$50,000 for a political fund, things have changed in Wisconsin. Wisconsin Democrats probably haven't had \$50,000 of their own for campaign purposes since the time of Gov. George Peck, more than half a century ago.

"And when Democrats can boast of active party organizations in 44 counties, and new ones coming to life almost weekly, a new political day is dawning. All this has happened since 1946 when Bob LaFollette folded the Progressive party and tried to 'go home' to the Republicans, who promptly shut the door in his face. Young progressives, mostly war veterans, refused to follow LaFollette. They moved into the Democratic party and were warmly received by the younger Democrats of the New Deal persuasion.

Together these forces began to fashion the new Democratic party on the basis of a coalition of labor, farmer and liberal in the model of the Franklin Roosevelt vehicle. Their success last fall in helping to carry the state for Harry Truman, in electing an attorney general, two congressmen and a number of legislators, was eye opening."

There is a story going the rounds in Washington that Ohio Democrats have given up hope of carrying that state against Sen. Robert A. Taft. When the Democratic chief vote-getter, Gov. Frank J. Lausche, refused to run against Taft, and Murray Lincoln, head of the Ohio farm bureau federation, while not putting himself out of the running, refused to announce, the wind was taken out of the sails of the Taft opposition.

considerable extent and the good citizens of our fair land live up to their resolve for 12 months, then I will feel pretty skookum about our U. S. A. getting over its phony notion that you can have permanent prosperity via big spending of borrowed money.

Dishing out 100 million bucks of Govt. cash for any reason—or no reason at all—makes times good for the guys getting same. That is a cinch—no debate, so far. But the folks that divvy to the income tax man—this same 100 million—good times for them are around the corner—a far corner a mirage like you sometimes see on the Mojave plain there.

Being a sucker for any kind of racket is no complaint. So, far a

NEW DRIVER. FRESH TEAM



Above the HULLABALOO

by LITTLE HULL

SLOGANS

IN THIS AGE of decadence—and that's what it is—the brain is seldom used by about a third of the population when it is deciding the nation's fate and that of their children in the voting booth. The emotions pull the lever for enough voters to swing our once proud nation constantly backward toward the days of feudalism, or statism—"government of the many by the few."

The slogan employed to cover this reactionary trend is "Liberalism." Its adherents call themselves "Progressives" (They are progressing all right—progressing backward!)

In order to totally hoodwink that third of the population which in its semi-blindness swings the vote away from the "freedom of the individual," the "Liberal" leaders invent impressive slogans to undermine the really liberal and progressive third of the population. They label these sincere Americans "Reactionaries" and "Fascists."

Now that one-third of America which tries to use its mind when it votes is, as a rule, more conservative in action and in speech where the interests of its country are concerned. They are usually of a type too earnest to indulge as freely in slang and slogan as are the "Liberal" and "Progressive" types.

They don't seem to realize that the word SLOGAN has become the most important word in the dictionary. No only here but all over the world. Hitler might never have won out in Germany without his slogans; the Red slogans ran like fire through the excited Russians in 1917 and thereafter; "Fascism" stirred the emotions of the Italians to a frenzy, and "New Deal" had more to do with the election and re-election of F. D. R. than we realize.

Now we have a couple of new babies—little "fair deal" and baby "welfare state." How about labeling them "last deal" and "farewell state?"

Why don't those who wish to stop the advance toward statism roll up their sleeves, let down their hair, forget their reserve, and break some a few slogans of their own.



NEW SENATOR . . . Harry Darr, Republican national committeeman from Kansas, was named, U. S. Senator from that state to serve unexpired term of late Sen. Clyde McCreary.

1950 resolution—"I will be no sucker this year for anybody, black, white or brown, or for any such

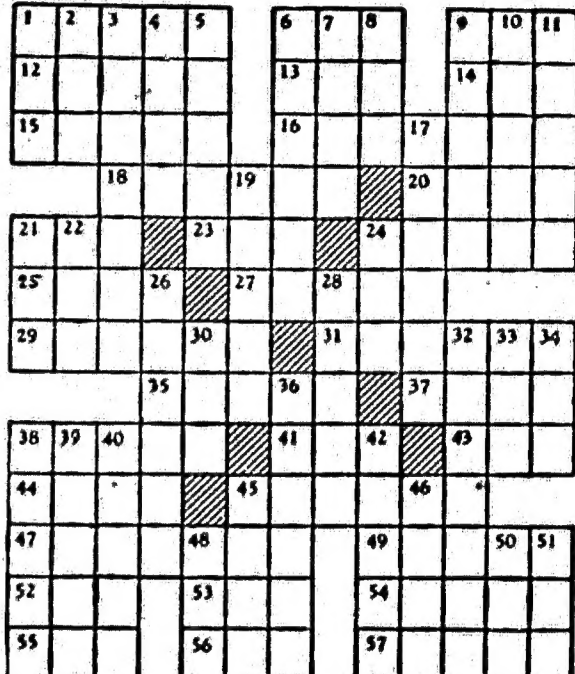
Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Country of Europe
- 6 Stupid fellow
- 9 American humorist
- 12 To analyze grammatically
- 13 To throw into disorder
- 14 And not
- 15 Buffoon
- 16 Non-professional
- 18 Glacial ridges
- 20 Otherwise
- 21 Male cat
- 22 To pose
- 24 Thistle
- 25 Dry plant
- 27 Italian post
- 29 To dwell
- 31 Small hole
- 33 Drink
- 37 Place for grain storage
- 38 Bishop's headpiece
- 41 Strange
- 43 Morsel
- 44 Perkin
- 45 To covet
- 47 Dinner course
- 48 Scandinavian language
- 52 Emmet
- 53 College cheer
- 54 Essence
- 55 To understand
- 56 Female sheep
- 57 15th U.S. President

VERTICAL

- 1 Resort
- 2 Shallow receptacle
- 3 Goddess of nature
- 4 Sister of Orlis
- 5 Inebriated
- 6 Ancient rival of Athens
- 7 Points



- 8 Edible seed
- 9 To give extreme exaction to (archaic)
- 10 To extinguish
- 11 Was mistaken
- 17 Indian tents
- 19 Sea duck
- 21 Black, sticky substance
- 22 Unit
- 24 Pen for writing
- 26 Animates
- 28 Recruits
- 30 German for "the"
- 32 Freedom
- 33 Trainer of Samuel
- 34 Youngster
- 36 German author
- 38 Greedy king
- 39 Goddess of dawn
- 40 Savor
- 42 Girl's name
- 43 Tin
- 46 List
- 48 Before
- 50 So (Scott.)
- 51 Bitter vetch

Answer to LAST WEEK'S Puzzle

STOLEN QUER FOR
ARAB UPRAH ADD
PERVAZ LOUAD
BAPT BAPT
ADRIELER 20
OUAYA BEA TED
OR EASERIE DE
GER MOA DURER
AT UARERVO
PALE PARD
22 PA BEADY
230 EXIG REBA
DEW ERY YARE

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"I'm Sure I Love You Geraldine—But I'd Prefer To Reserve A Definite Opinion Until Summer When I Could See More Of You."

tomfoolery that the Govt. can spend my money and make me more prosperous and happy than if I hung onto it as mine and spent it on my ownself as I see fit." Bad of resolve for 1950.

Yours with the low down,
JO SHERRA

WEST BETHEL

Miss Virginia Holman, Hazel Wing of Dixfield, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ford has been ill with pneumonia. Miss Elizabeth Mason holiday week end with her family. Charles Day, Sr., and Mrs. Charles Day, Jr. Mills were Christmas guests and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe.

Pvt. Ivan F. Garey, who stationed on Okinawa, Sunday to West Bethel, received his training at N. J., and went over March. He has received charge from the regular Mr. and Mrs. Arthur and Mrs. Walter Fox of L. holiday callers of Mrs. G. ett at the Lovejoy home. Mrs. Ruby Rolfe and Miss Patricia Rolfe, also Eldred, were in Norway. Mr. and Mrs. Alanson C. of West Paris were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Joy.

Miss Esther Mason a week end at home. Mr. and Mrs. Harlan South Paris were week end of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pe. Mr. and Mrs. Al Bennett ily spent Christmas with in Shelburne, N. H. Mrs. Edna Newton, who ill at her home, is improving. Mr. and Mrs. Laurence family spent the holiday and Mrs. Carroll Abbott. Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. tained Mr. Casey's, mother family of Portland over Christmas.

SONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. George Lo sons, Jimmie and Ronald Christmas with his sister Lily at Norway. They also Mrs. Logan's sister, Mrs. Ellis who is a patient at the hospital, Lewiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralston Bon children, Meredith and spent Christmas day with rents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie. Other callers at the Kimb. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kimb. Miss Flossie Osgood, Mr. Aubrey Groves and two Randolph, N. H., Mr. and J. Jewell and Howard, and Lapham.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Laph children entertained for Christmas parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. rill, and grandmother, Mr. Morrill, also her sister, Mr. friend, Bruce Smith, Stone. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kenne daughter, Lonna, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Lute Ar. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimb four little girls spent the with her mother, Mrs. Ambro. er. In Unity, enjoying a party of twenty seven Christmas.

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Miss Virginia Holman and Mrs. Hazel Wing of Dixfield are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ford. Mr. Ford has been ill with pneumonia.

Miss Elizabeth Mason spent the holiday week end with her parents, Charles Day, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Day, Jr., of Locke Mills were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe and family.

Pvt. Ivan F. Garey, who has been stationed on Okinawa, returned Sunday to West Bethel. Pvt. Garey received his training at Fort Dix, N. J., and went overseas last March. He has received his discharge from the regular service.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Silkworth and Mrs. Walter Fox of Lovell were holiday callers of Mrs. Burt Brackett at the Lovejoy home.

Mrs. Ruby Rolfe and daughter, Miss Patricia Rolfe, also her son, Eldred, were in Norway, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Cummings of West Paris were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Lovejoy.

Miss Esther Mason spent the week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Shaw of South Paris were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Bennett and family spent Christmas with relatives in Shelburne, N. H.

Mrs. Edna Newton, who has been ill at her home, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Lord and family spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Casey entertained Mr. Casey's mother and family of Portland over Christmas.

SONGO POND

—Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corres.—
Mr. and Mrs. George Logan and sons, Jimmie and Ronald, spent Christmas with his sister and family at Norway. They also visited Mrs. Logan's sister, Mrs. Elsie Estes, who is a patient at the C. M. G. hospital, Lewiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralston Bennett and children, Meredith and Norris, spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball. Other callers at the Kimballs were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kimball and Miss Flossie Osgood, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Groves and two boys of Randolph, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jewell and Howard, and Warren Lapham.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lapham and children entertained for Christmas, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Morrill, and grandmother, Mrs. Betsy Morrill, also her sister, Alta, and friend, Bruce Smith, Stoneham.

Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Keniston and daughter, Lona, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Lute Andrews. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball and four little girls spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Amber Hunter, in Unity, enjoying a family party of twenty seven Christmas Day.

Miss Esther Reynolds is spending part of her vacation with relatives in Unity.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lapham, Mrs. Marlon Arsenault and daughter, Laurel, Mrs. Myrtle Keniston and daughter, Lona, visited their grandmother, who is 94, in Oxford, Monday.

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BRYANT POND

—Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres.—
Members of the Bryant Pond Fire Company enjoyed an oyster stew supper, followed by a Christmas tree at their meeting at the Fire Station, Thursday evening.

The employees of Mann's mill held their annual Christmas party at 11:30 Saturday morning with an exchange of gifts from a well-laden tree. Beautiful refreshments were served.

Cecil Farnum, who is serving in the U S Army and has been stationed at Ft. Dix, N. J., is on leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Farnum, until January 5.

Rev. and Mrs. Franklin Keehlwetter and baby of Howland, were in town Wednesday and Thursday of last week, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Porter Swan.

Mrs. L. Werner Littlehale with her son, Lawrence and daughter, Donna, of Wilson's Mills, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ordway, Thursday.

Mrs. Florence Cushman was the guest of her son, Robert Cushman, and family, at Auburn, Thursday.

Among the students who are at home for the Christmas vacation are: Dexter Stowell, Francis Bean, Richard Cole, and Irving Cushman from the University of Maine and Sterling Mills from Lee Academy.

Dexter Stowell was at New York last week.

The Planning Meeting of the Woodstock Farm Bureau will be held at the home of Mrs. Abner H. Mann, Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 3.

Holiday Items

Mr. and Mrs. J. Douglas Thompson entertained his mother, Mrs. Sarah Thompson, Newcastle, sister Miss Barbara Thompson, Hampton, N. H., and Harry Haggett, Wisconsin, as holiday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. James Billings, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Twitchell and children, Mr. and Mrs. LaForest Twitchell, Kathy and Alan, joined a family party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Twitchell at Turner, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman E. Billings were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Billings, Sunday.

Mrs. Evelyn Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Moore, Charles and Diane, of Frye, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ordway and Mr. and Mrs. G. Howard Judkins, Sunday.

Mrs. John Pellerine, Portland, came Thursday to spend the holidays with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Hathaway. Mr. Pellerine came Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dunlap were week end guests of her sister, Mrs. Leslie Moody and family at Portland.

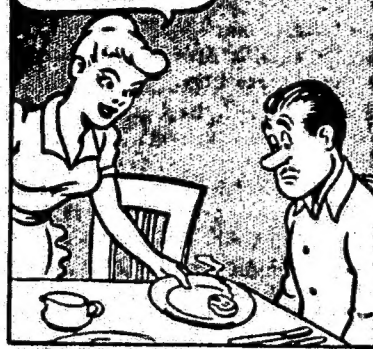
Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Day were Miss Mary Bartlett, Mrs. Anna Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bowker.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews entertained Sunday their five daughters and families: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wardwell, Jean and Jane, Albany; Mr. and Mrs. Harrie Hathaway, Phyllis, Harriet, and Burton; Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Dunham, Albert, Bessie, Mary and Roland; Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Ring, Arthur and Kaye, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Farnum, Alice and Leatrice.

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SKILLINGTON

Miss Beverly Blake of Bath is visiting her sister, Mrs. Merton Brown, and family.

Mrs. Carlton Saunders has been confined by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brooks spent

stock, and Mr. and Mrs. Danne Bryant were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole had as dinner guests Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farrington, Roberta and Alan.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crockett spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Emery at West Paris.

Mrs. Inez Whitman and daughters, Edith and Clara, entertained Sunday Mrs. Mary Taylor, Winton Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Callor and Linda Lou, Oakland. They were all dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Porter Swan and Keith, after which the whole group, with Miss Nellie Lapham and Kenneth Swan also present, enjoyed a Christmas tree at the home of Mrs. Whitman.

The Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church held their annual meeting, Dec. 20, with Mrs. Lucy Rowe as hostess. Officers were elected as follows: president, Mrs. Miriam McAllister; vice president, Mrs. Alice McInnis; secretary, Mrs. Mildred Wescott; treasurer, Mrs. Annie Morgan. Christmas boxes were prepared and refreshments served.

Mrs. Elsie Cole entertained the Universalist Circle Tuesday afternoon at her home. Work was planned for the winter months.

Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Brooks and son.

Mrs. Sophie Conner had Christmas dinner with the Tifts.

Corp. Kenneth Saunders of Cherry Point, N. C., spent Christmas with Carlton Saunders and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith Jr., and son, Larry Jo, spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. George McAllister.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Wilson and family called at Mrs. Walter Brown's Christmas eve with many nice gifts.

Mrs. John Wight and son, Gerald, spent Christmas with relatives in Berlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buker and family spent the holiday with his mother at Dixfield.

Robert Tift is spending his vacation with his grandparents at Dover, N. H. He will be in Boston on New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. William Danforth of Portland were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Butters and family.

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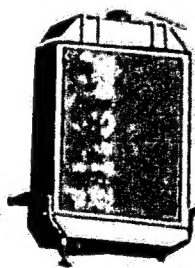
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LOCKE MILLS

—Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres.—
Harry Swan, Jr., who is in the army and stationed at Washington, D. C., has been at his home on leave.

Sgt. David Roberts who is stationed in California has been visiting his father, E. T. Roberts, and brother, Gordon, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Roberts of Saugus, Mass., were recent callers at the Roberts home.

Mrs. Adelaide Lister went to Stoneham, Mass., Friday to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. George Ramsdell, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ring were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walker at Portland.

The Tibbets mill closed Friday noon and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3.

Thuri Hutchins is visiting with his father, Fred Hutchins, at Andover.

Phillip Burns, proprietor of the Red and White store, has sold out his business to Arthur Valley of Paris Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan entertained at Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Noyes and family of Bryant Pond, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Swan and Miss Lella Swan.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach and daughter, Barbara, visited Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy at Norway.

Calvin Coolidge, who is in the navy, spent Christmas Day at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell of Albany were holiday guests of Mrs. Wardwell's brother, Cecil Kimball, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cole entertained Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Hanscom and Roger and Amy Hanscom of Newry, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell and son, Charles, spent Christmas Day with his mother at Mechanic Falls. Mr. and Mrs. Keith Ring and family of Dayton have been visiting relatives in the place.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford en-

MIDDLE INTERVALE

—Mrs. Augustus Carter, Corres.—
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cotton and Ed Withee were holiday guests of the Richard Carters.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lurvey left for San Diego, Calif., Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter Reed has employment at the Norway shoe shop.

Miss Deborah Farwell and Mrs. Dana Jackson and son were callers in the neighborhood, Tuesday.

Fred Stanley and Hoyt Gunther are working in Magalloway.

Donald Stanley visited his family, the H. S. Stanleys, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mason and son, Lawrence; LeRoy Martin, Jr., and daughter, Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan have received word that their son, M. Sgt. Keene Swan has purchased a nice home at Tacoma, Washington, where he is stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Langway expect to move to Albany where Mr. Langway has purchased a mill business.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Dunham and little daughter, Kathy, left Tuesday morning for New York City where they will visit with Mrs. Dunham's relatives for the remainder of the week.

Judith Andrews who has been ill since Thanksgiving submitted to a very serious operation at the Children's Hospital at Boston last Thursday. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Andrews, has been with her constantly, and her father is at Boston at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dunham and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Dunham and Kathy attended a family Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dragon at West Peru.

Mrs. Mabel Dunham, who has been ill, is improving.

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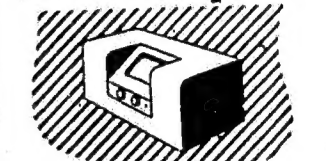
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UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Corres.

Miss Eunice Lane is home from Gould Academy over the holidays. Billy Powell is home from Fryburg Academy for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs C A Judkins entertained on Sunday all their sons and daughters, with their families and Mrs Bertha Judkins, making 27 in all.

Mr and Mrs Fred S Judkins went to Bryant Pond Monday to have Christmas with her family.

Mr and Mrs Ban Barnett, Mr and Mrs Dwight Weston and son, Mr and Mrs George Wight and family, Mr and Mrs Lee Brown of Rumford, Mr and Mrs Willard Wight of Machias, Malcolm and Lee Barnett, gathered at the Abbott House for Christmas dinner and tree Sunday.

Leslie and Alan Fuller were home from Frye over the week end.



By LYN CONNELLY

NOW THEY'RE PAYING radio and screen stars NOT to appear on television! Gene Autry, CBS cowboy star, receives \$500 per week from his radio sponsor to stay away from video cameras.

The sponsor feels TV is not yet ripe for the star and is giving him additional compensation to make up for what he might be losing by not going on. Greta Garbo, who, over the years, has steadfastly refused to appear on radio for the paltry sum of \$25,000, is said to be thinking of a one-shot video appearance provided no audience is present. "Hollywood Calling" may not be cancelled out after all.

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COLUMBIA: "Carle Meets the Masters" is a work of art condensed into several waxed discs. The album has Frankie Carle playing selections by Chopin, Tchaikovsky, Mozart, Schubert, Grieg and Beethoven.

In Columbia single discs, recommendations are made for Alex Stordahl's "I Wanna Go Home With You" backed by "Foolish Tears." Dinah Shore's latest is the very cute "Bibbidi Bobbidi Boo." She combines it nicely with "Happy Times."

VICTOR: Vaughn Monroe has a potential hit in "So This Is Love," coupled with "There's No One Here But Me." Perry Como also appears on the scene with "Bibbidi Bobbidi Boo" and has a sprightly arrangement of it. Whether you like male or female vocals will probably determine the selling between the Como and Shore efforts.

Phil Harris does a nice job on that new favorite "The Old Master Painter" with "St. James Infirmary" on the back. Mindy Carson's latest is the light "Too Whitt! Too Whitt!"

CAPITOL: If you're a western addict, Capitol has two good answers for you. One is by Hank Thompson in the nature of "Give a Little, Take a Little." "A Cat Has Nine Lives" is on the flip.

SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.

Miss Lois Scribner is visiting her sister, Mrs Nell Ward, in Harrison. Mr and Mrs Roger Reynolds and children were dinner guests of J W Reynolds, Christmas Day.

Miss Patricia Jackson spent a few days with Mrs Grace Currier at Bethel, recently.

The Church School program and tree was well attended. Attendance prizes went to George and Julie Reynolds, Patricia and Elizabeth Jackson. The program was "The Gift of the Star" with pantomimes. Grace Currier and Kaye Blake stood in for Crystal Witter and Julie Reynolds. Introduction, Richard Gilman, read by Grace Currier; Star of Bethlehem, Barbara Reynolds; Star of Love, Roberta Bean; Star of Peace, Crystal Witter; Star of Hope, Dana Bean; Star of Joy, Carolyn Reynolds; Star of Faith, Patricia Jackson; Star of Happiness, Julie Reynolds; Joseph and Mary—Elizabeth and Clifton Jackson; The Three Kings—Clyde, Kenneth Nowlin and Charles Bean; Happy Brothers, Richard and John Gilman; Spirit of Contentment and Prayer, George Reynolds; Angels, Mary Gilman and Sheila Roberts. The gifts were taken from the tree and hearty thanks were expressed for our wonderful helpers. As we had gifts of candy and nuts from Mrs Daisy Crosby, arranged for the children by Mrs Phyllis Williamson. Fruit from North Newry Farm Bureau and games from an outside Santa.

David Fleet spent a few days with Richard Onofrio this week. Miss Kaye Blake is visiting her grandparents, the Estes Yates. Carolyn Reynolds entertained Miss Saunders one afternoon last week.

The Witters were in Gilead last week. Grace Currier spent a couple of days with Patricia Jackson, recently.

Barbara Nowlin helped Mrs Jackson one day last week while she went shopping at Rumford.

GREENWOOD CENTER

Sandra Martin, Corres.

Mrs Glenn Martin was calling in this vicinity, recently.

Those who attended the Sunday School Christmas tree at Colby King's in this vicinity were Roland, Rex, Sandra and Curt Martin.

Roy and Louis Martin were in Bethel, Friday.

Sandra Martin was at Winfred Hanson's Tuesday and Thursday of last week.

Frank and Lloyd Waterhouse were callers at Harold Churchill's, recently.

Mr and Mrs Earl Bacon spent one evening last week with Mr and Mrs Charles Day.

Mr and Mrs Charles Day spent the evening with her parents, Mr and Mrs Emerson Bartlett of Sumner.

Mr and Mrs Wallace Noyes and son, Mason, of West Paris, Mr and Mrs Reginald Roberts of Saugus, Mass., and David Roberts, home from the service, were callers at Harold Churchill's, Saturday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Keith Cole spent Christmas Day with her mother, Mrs Harold Churchill.

Mrs Nellie Martin picked a bouquet of pansies from the flower bed on Dec. 22.

YOUR brain budget

1. Blocking an amendment to the Constitution requires the legislature of (a) 24 states, (b) 10 states, (c) 13 states.
2. The slang expression for anti-aircraft artillery during World War II was (a) Pop-pop, (b) duck hunters, (c) ack-ack.
3. The qualification for membership in the Caterpillar Club is (a) raising caterpillars, (b) successful emergency jump from airplane by parachute, (c) riding winner in Kentucky Derby.
4. Maine was one of the original 13 states, (a) Yes, (b) No.
5. In political language a floater is (a) an illegal voter who votes at several polling places, (b) one who frequents the polls trying to influence voters.

ANSWERS
1.-(a) 13 states.
2.-(b) Ack-ack.
3.-(b) Successful emergency jump from airplane by parachute.
4.-(b) No. It was originally part of Massachusetts.
5.-(a) An illegal voter who votes at several polling places.

SOUTH ALBANY

Mrs. Roy Wardwell, Corres.

Mrs Leon Kimball is improving from her recent illness.

Mr and Mrs Omer Giberson and Mrs Colby Robinson called at Leon Kimball's, Monday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Roy Wardwell were dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Cecil Kimball at Locke Mills on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Ivan Kimball and sons, Gene and Leon, were guests of Mr and Mrs Colby Robinson at Portland on Monday.

Little Jane Wardwell is ill at this writing at the home of her grandparents, Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews, at Bryant Pond.

NORTHWEST BETHEL

Stanley Coolidge, Corres.

Miss Barbara Keenan is enjoying the holidays at her home with Mr and Mrs Charles Keenan.

Mr and Mrs Elton Coolidge and Albert Silver had Christmas dinner with Mr and Mrs Floyd Coolidge and family.

Stan Coolidge spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr and Mrs Elton Coolidge on Grover Hill.

Mr and Mrs Ernest Angeline and children spent Christmas with her folks, Mr and Mrs Albert Abbott, at Rumford Point.

Mr and Mrs John Chadwick and daughter, Joan Elizabeth, were at the Keenan-Chadwick residence on Sunday.

Rev Elwin Wilson and son, Harold, were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Evans Wilson and family.

Miss Laura Wilson left Tuesday morning for Connecticut for a few days visit with relatives. She expects to stop at Massachusetts for a short visit on the return trip.

Mr and Mrs Edgar Dunham and children, Mrs Dunham, and Mrs Mary Coolidge were callers at Floyd Coolidge's on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Leslie Lapham were Monday night guests of Mr and Mrs Evans Wilson.

Miss Annette Chapman is improving slowly in Portland where she has been hospitalized for many weeks.

Mr and Mrs Frank Benson and family were in West Minot, Sunday, visiting relatives.

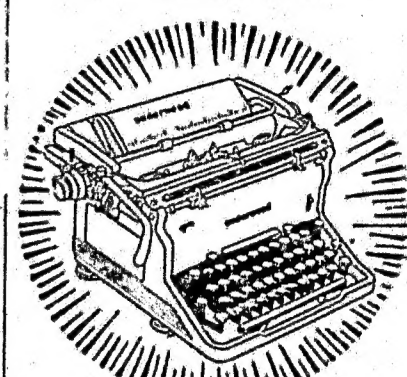
Barbara Keenan, Stanley Coolidge, Rachel Brown and Blake MacKay went skating Monday in Gilead.

Mr and Mrs Frank Chapman plan to leave the first of the year for Maryland where they will visit Mrs Chapman's relatives.

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SUCCESSFUL PARENTHOOD
By Mrs. CATHERINE CONRAD EDWARDS
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MOTHERS who have to stumble over extra toys in the weeks following Christmas are probably asking themselves, "What ever started this Santa Claus business?" Which brings us to a favorite topic: how to teach children to put away their playthings.

The basic plan for the teaching is simple, but it takes persistence and ingenuity to put it into effect. So we'll restate the theory and then give you some examples of how other mothers have carried it out. First, you must provide time for picking up toys by giving ample warning of the end of the play period. Second, putting away the things the child has been playing with should, from babyhood, be taught as part of the game.

Too often parents make cleaning up appear to be a penalty rather than a natural part of play. We've used before the illustration of children sliding downhill on their sleds. They may not enjoy the upward climb after each thrilling shoot down the icy path, but they accept it uncomplainingly as part of the game.

One of the best examples of applying this principle to playroom straightening was told by a mother who had almost despaired of getting her four-year-old daughter to put her toys away neatly. Then the mother thought of appealing to the child's recently awakened interest in "playing house."

The father built open bookshelves for one wall of Emily's room and encased them in pale blue. Then the mother showed Emily how to arrange her toys on the shelves in interesting and colorful groups. Just as she herself had odd bits of china and glass

placed attractively on corner cupboards. At first the mother helped, but after a week or so Emily took over alone. Now all the mother has to do is admire her daughter's arrangements and discuss color and balance with her. Emily is absorbing some of the fundamentals of decorating, as well as learning that putting toys away can be as much fun as hauling them out.

Another mother, who is particularly clever about allowing for the time element, tells us that she watches to see when her children's interest begins to lag in the toys they are using. Then she suggests that they put those away and get out something different.

If it is near mealtime or going outdoors time she suggests something simple—a doll or toy animal which will be easy to put back or can be carried outdoors. We have her word for it that she hasn't picked up a toy since this plan was put into effect a month ago.

Finally, there's the very practical suggestion of homemade trucks for toys, each marked with a picture of the toy toy it is to hold—one for blocks, one for mechanical toys, one for crayons and cutouts, etc. These trucks can be made from wooden fruit boxes. Reinforce each end with a strip of wood and put a furniture caster in each corner. Better sandpaper the box inside and out to remove splinters, then paint each a different color. Keep in mind (and show to voice and manner) that children are usually love to pile things in a toy truck. And don't wait until they are too tired before you suggest that it's truck loading time.

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WANTED - Capable housekeeper for three adults. Middle aged woman preferred. For interview call MRS. BURT BRACKETT, W. Bethel. Tel. 99-21. 52p

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Leave Shoes at Chamberlain's Store for repair and clothes to clean Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. EXCEL CLEANERS AND DYERS, INC., Auburn, Maine. 44c

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Ladies Club, Guild, neighbors and friends for the Christmas boxes and remembrances recently received.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Harlow

PUBLIC NOTICE

On and after this date, I hereby declare that I shall not be responsible for any obligations contracted by my wife, Marjorie Yates, nor for any bills or debts contracted by her, and everyone is hereby forbidden to extend credit to her and charge the same on my account.

Carroll E. Yates

Dec. 17, 1949. 1p

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said December. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on third Tuesday of January A. D. 1950, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Fred F. Bean, late of Bethel, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Sylvia G. Luxton as executrix of the same to act without bond as expressed in said Will, presented by Sylvia G. Luxton, the executrix therein named.

Lily B. Burbank, late of Bethel, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of John S. Burbank as executor of the same to act without bond as expressed in said Will presented by John S. Burbank, the executor therein named.

Addie R. Farwell, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Ernest Buck as administrator of the estate of said deceased with bond, presented by Grace F. Buck, an heir-at-law.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

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NORTH NEWRY

Mrs. L. E. Wight, Corres.

Mr and Mrs Everett Ferrin spent Monday evening at the home of Mr and Mrs L E Wight.

Mr and Mrs John B Vall were Christmas Day guests of Mr and Mrs Herbert Morton, Jr.

Mr and Mrs Roy C Tripp and son, Peter, were guests, Sunday, of Mrs Tripp's parents, Mr and Mrs R M Bean, Sunday River.

Earl Lane is working on road patrol with Bob Morton.

Mr and Mrs L E Wight observed Christmas Saturday, Dec. 24. Present at dinner and the tree were Mr and Mrs Daniel Wight, two sons, Eric and Kevin, Rumford; Mr and Mrs Carl E Calvin, son Lynn, Long Island, N. Y.; Mr and Mrs James Calvin of Sanford.

Mr and Mrs Fred Wight had for Christmas Day guests: Mr and Mrs Willard A Wight, sons Stephen and David, of Machias; Mr and Mrs L E Wight, Miss Carrie Wight and Johnny Wight. A Christmas tree was enjoyed in the afternoon.

Fred Wight and son, Owen, went to Auburn, Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Carl Calvin and son, Lynn, are spending this week with Mr and Mrs L E Wight.

Christmas program of Branch School held in the church, Friday evening, Dec. 16.

A Welcome Exercise Linda Morton, Jack Rowland A Christmas Tree Lad

Glendon Marceau A short play, "The Little Lost Doll" Doll, Marjorie Morton; Billy, Herbert Morton; Dicky, Peter Baker; Dorothy, Suzanne Wight; Patty, Elaine Clifford; Betty, Patricia Morton; Barbara, Opal Gross; Jimmie, Glendon Marceau; Bingo, a toy dog. Sing a Song of Christmas

Charlotte Auger Proof of Santa Walter Gross

Three Stockings in a Row Elaine Clifford

Play, "Shoes for Santa's Reindeer" Mrs Santa Claus, Suzanne Wight; Mr Santa Claus, John Wight; Santa's Scouts - Elaine Clifford, Patty Morton, Opal Gross, Calvin Gross, Peter Baker, Glen Marceau; Jolly Smith, Herbert Morton.

The Christmas Spirit Sandra Duran

Santa Claus Petition Priscilla Eames

Christmas Carol Calvin Gross Christmas Kendall Marceau

Christmas Suggestions: Patty Morton Opal Gross, Gloria Duran, Melvena Learned, Marjorie Morton.

The Arrest Patricia Learned Merry Christmas: Melvena Learned, and 14 children which included nine boys. "A Christmas Acrostic"

Writing to Santa Peter Baker Santa's Whiskers Glenn Lane

"The Stranger Child: The Stranger Child, Walter Gross; Mother, Priscilla Eames; Father, Leroy Learned; Valentine, Norman Davis; Marie, Patty Morton.

The Angels: Suzanne Wight, Patricia Learned, Elaine Clifford. While waiting for Santa to arrive, parents and friends joined in the singing of Christmas carols. "Jingle Bells," It came upon a midnight clear," Away in the Manger," and "White Christmas."

Bear River Grange held a special meeting Saturday night, Dec. 17, as the regular meeting came on Christmas Eve.

There was a good attendance and a special Christmas program put on by the Worthy Lecturer, Laura Yates, consisting of songs, pantomimes and Christmas carols by the chorus.

Russell Yates acted as Santa Claus, who with the help of the children distributed presents to all present.

Pop corn and candy was served for refreshments. The next regular meeting will be Saturday night, January 7.

EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Bernice Noyes, Correspondent

Christmas Day guests of Mr and Mrs Almon Coolidge were Mr and Mrs Edgar Dunham, Mrs Mary Coolidge, and Mrs Mable Dunham.

Callers at the home of Mr and Mrs S B Newton, Monday, were Mr and Mrs Victor Perry and daughter, Elaine.

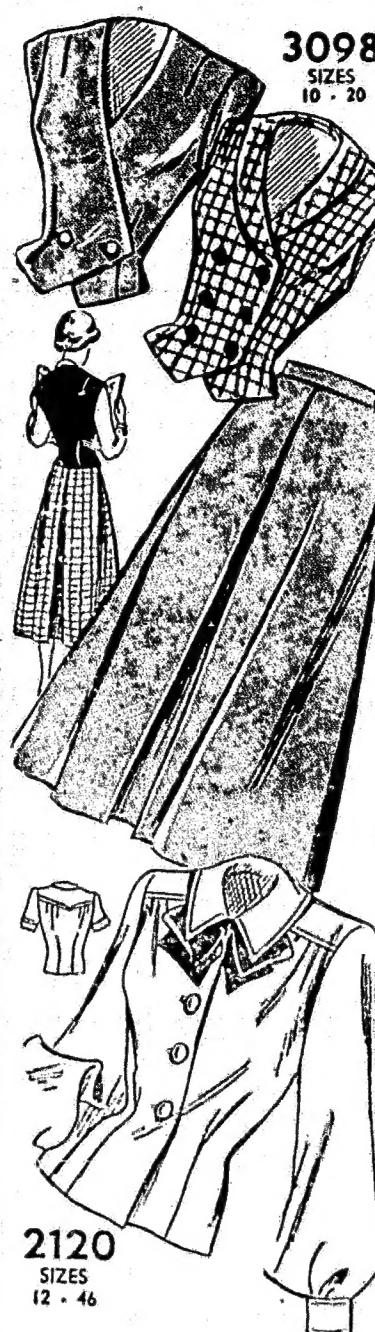
Mr and Mrs Kendrick Scribner were Christmas Day guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Carroll Curtis.

Mr and Mrs Victor Brooks and daughters, Sally and Lillian, were Saturday dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Edward Billings.

The fourth and last in the series of card parties sponsored by the Lucky Clover 4-H Club will be held at the Grange Hall Saturday night. The grand prizes will be given out. Card playing will be followed by dancing and refreshments.

Farm industry leaders in New England feel that they should encourage more men and women to enroll in colleges of agriculture in the area. Not enough agricultural graduates from New England colleges are available for jobs open here, say industry leaders.

This Week's Patterns by AUDREY LANE



No. 3098 is cut in sizes 10, 12, 14, 16 and 20. Size 10 skirt, requires 1 1/2 yds. 54-in.; cap sleeve width 1 1/2 yds. 54-in.; sleeve length 1 1/2 yds. 54-in. No. 2120 cut in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. 35, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46. Size 36 requires 2 1/4 yds. 54-in.

Send 25c for EACH pattern with name, address, style number and size to AUDREY LANE BUREAU, Rt. 2, 229 Madison Square Station, New York 17, N. Y. The Fall-Winter Fashion Book shows 150 other styles, 25c extra.

GROVER HILL-MASON

Mrs. M. C. Mundt, Corres.

Miss Alice Mundt has been home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr and Mrs Elton Coolidge and daughter, and Mrs Coolidge's father, Albert Silver, spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Floyd Coolidge.

Howard Waterhouse was home for Christmas day. Christmas day guests of Mr and Mrs Clyde Whitman were Arthur Whitman and Mr and Mrs Sidney Rogers.

Miss Alice Mundt, James Mundt, Mr and Mrs Malcolm Mundt and daughters, attended a family dinner and tree at Mr and Mrs Clayton Mills.

Mr and Mrs Donald Morrill and family are spending two weeks with his parents, Mr and Mrs Myron Morrill.

Moliday guests of Mr and Mrs Myron Morrill were: Mr and Mrs Laurence Morrill and family, Mr and Mrs Dwight Morrill and family, Mr and Mrs Donald Morrill and family, Miss Frances Morrill and Mrs Betty Morrill.

A Christmas dinner party was enjoyed at the home of Mrs Elva Grover by the following: Mr and Mrs Dewey Thayer and children, Walter Grover and children, Mr and Mrs Rupert Grover and children, Miss Sonja Dulkkanin, Ernest Grover, Stanley Grover, Robert Grover, Richard Grover, and Margaret Grover.

Mrs Cleve Waterhouse visited Mrs Anna Brown at Norway, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Cleve Waterhouse, Howard, Betty, Jean and Norris visited Mrs Cecil Abbott and family at Rumford Point, Friday afternoon.

Mrs Frank Cragin of Westbrook is spending a couple days with her daughter, Mrs M C Mundt and family.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mr and Mrs Roland Hayes and family and Mr and Mrs Leonas Holt and family spent Christmas Day with relatives at West Paris.

Mrs Lillian Cole and Leo Cole were holiday guests of Mrs Ruth Hastings and family at East Bethel.

Mr and Mrs Fred Curtis and Mr and Mrs Frank Curtis spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs Franze Mills and Ernest Curtis at Shapleigh.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Morgan were at Mr and Mrs Carroll Nottage's for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Galen Curtis of Tubbs District, Mrs Carroll Nottage of South Paris and Mrs Franze Mills of Shapleigh were callers at Clyde Morgan's on Monday.

Lillian Miettinen, who is a senior at the New England School of Art in Boston is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs Antti Miettinen.

Owen Morgan is at home from Cadette for a few days.

NEW YEAR CHEER



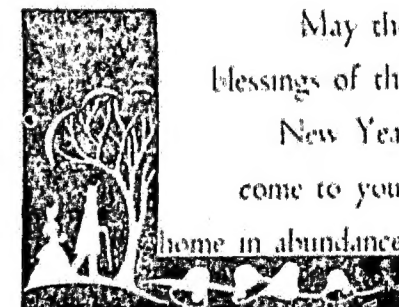
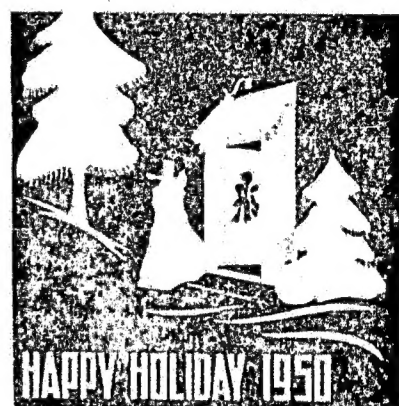
The old cares and worries have passed. May the year be full of joy.



Let's do it up right this year and join our efforts to give each other the finest holiday season ever.

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Top Hat Pavilion

"Mush" McMillin

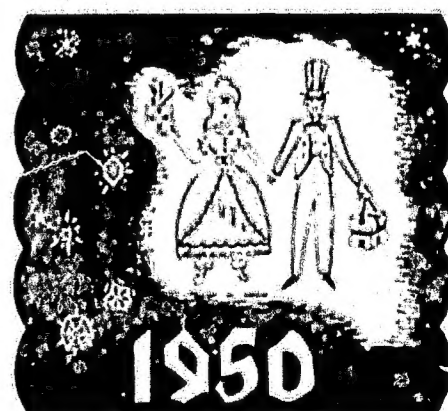


May the blessings of the New Year come to your home in abundance.

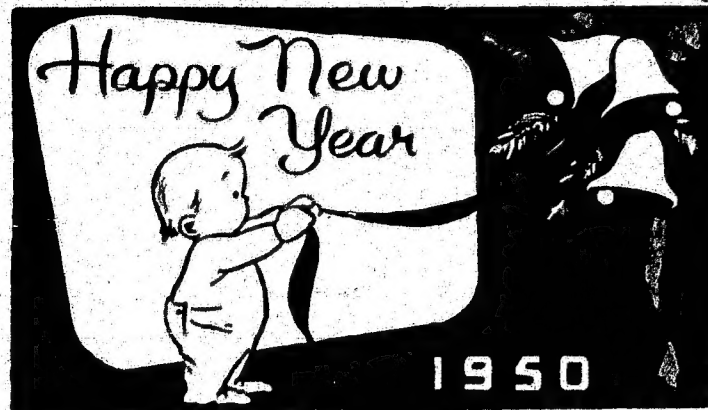
Crockett's Garage

New Year Greetings to All

OUR HEARTIEST WISHES GO WITH YOU THIS NEW YEAR'S DAY FOR A BRIGHT AND PEACEFUL 1950



Gallant's Service Station



The bells ring out the joyous New Year and their melody carries the refrain old, but ever new—success and happiness to you.

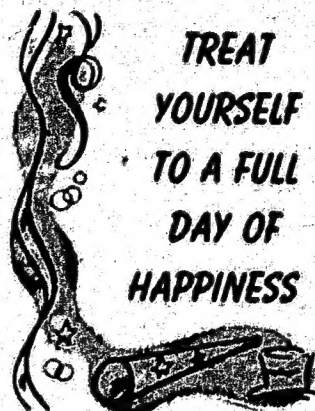


Tim's Body Shop



The best way to say it is the way everyone says it—with a simple "Merry Christmas."

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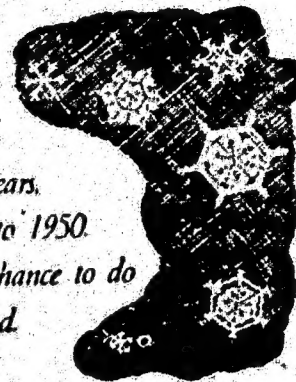


TREAT YOURSELF TO A FULL DAY OF HAPPINESS

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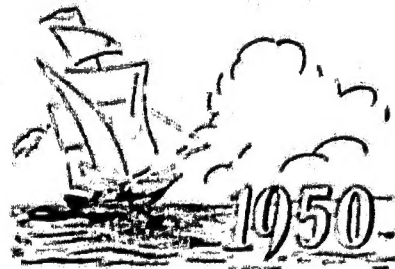


For the best in New Years, we refer you to 1950. Give it a chance to do you some good.



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Happy New Year



Bosserman's Pharmacy



And the best of the New Year is happiness for all of you.



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Greetings



Bethel Red & White
STUART F. MARTIN



We add our voice to the chorus of those hoping that 1950 will be a year of joy and satisfaction for everyone in our town.

Brown's Variety Store



The time is come again when we take stock of the opportunities which lie before us, and it is our hope that will mean the most successful of all New Years for you.



D. Grover Brooks



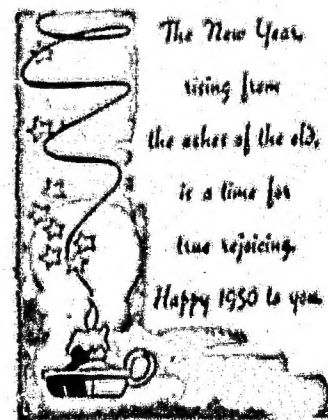
May the year be good to you.



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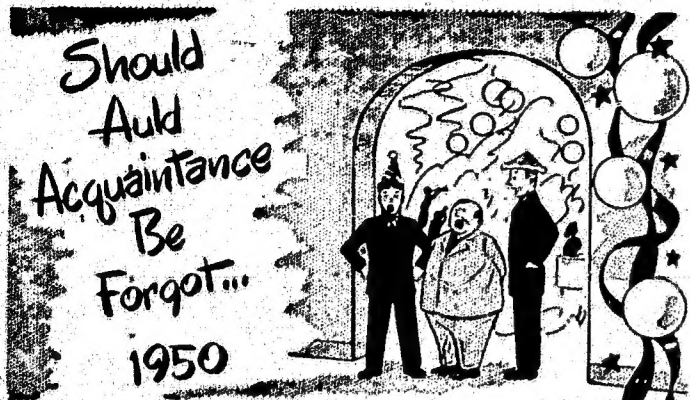
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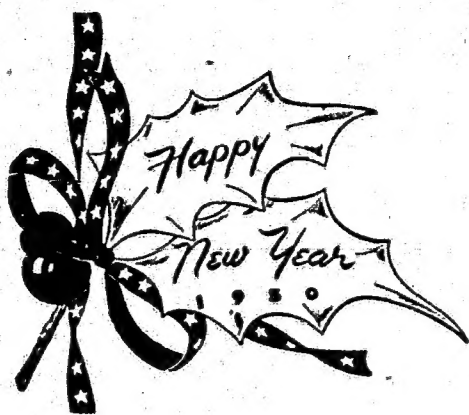


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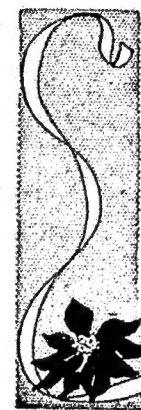
NO, old friends
won't be forgotten
in this community
Not so long
as we have the kind
of persons
who live here now
**HAPPY NEW YEAR
1950**

Bethel Restaurant
MARY BISHOP, Proprietor



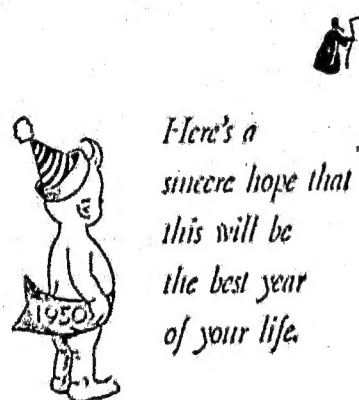
MAY THERE ALWAYS
BE A SONG IN YOUR
HEART AS YOU MEET
EACH SUCCEEDING DAY
OF THE NEW YEAR.

Don Brown Studio



Here's a hope that
the days of 1950 will
be brimming with contentment
for all of you.
A very Happy New Year.

Cotton's



Here's a
sincere hope that
this will be
the best year
of your life.

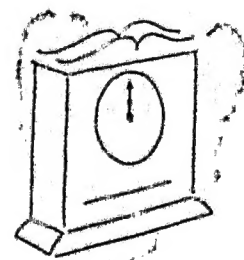
Gould Academy
ELWOOD F. IRELAND, Headmaster

HEARTIEST NEW YEAR
Greetings
1950



MAY THE
YEAR AHEAD BE ALL
YOU WANT IT
TO BE

Bryant's Market



And all
the cheer
of the
New Year is rightfully yours
for the taking.

Ruth Carver Ames

for 1950~
**Happy
Days**



Bennett's Garage, Inc.

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR
1950**

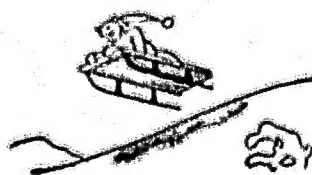
Let's
hope
you strike
it rich
this year.



McInnis Cobbler Shop

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR
Nineteen-fifty**

LOTS OF LUCK
TO YOU FOR THE
WHOLE YEAR
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The Specialty Shop



We commend the
New Year to you
as an opportunity
to embrace twelve
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Bucky's

Nobody's Business

This is a good week to take time more seriously. Too many of us feel that we have no time for things which we know should be done, and which nobody but ourselves can do. This seems to apply especially to our duties as citizens. Many of us seem to be considered "good citizens" merely because we are honest and mind our business, even though through the years we dodge successfully nearly every basic duty expected of an American citizen. It is not enough that we render full service to employers, feed and clothe our families, and behave ourselves generally as we should.

If the American way of living is to continue much longer, we, the average citizens, must arouse ourselves. Too long apparently we have felt that the duties of self-government are the other fellows' job. It was too easy to lie back, stay away from town meetings, state and national elections. True, most of us can see what is wrong and know very well how to fix everything, but the gentlemen in charge seldom hear from us and give little heed to our counsel.

In your resolutions which become effective next week why not do something about it? In your 24 hours a day, next year, take the duties and privileges of citizenship more seriously. Take time to go to town meeting and consider the town's problems which require your vote. Choose and support able candidates for all offices at every opportunity. Study the affairs of the day so that you can decide wisely when the times come to indicate our decisions and choices.

Varied bits of rubbish have come to adorn the highway leading from the village to the Corporation dump. In some cases this is entirely accidental but often it is avoidable and certainly could be cleaned up on the return trip of those using the dump. This is an appeal and suggestion that greater care be used in loading trucks and trailers. The Songo road has been an attractive approach to Bethel village and there is no good reason why it should be spoiled.

How Dumb Can We Get?

by DeWitt Emery

(EDITOR'S NOTE: DeWitt Emery is president of the National Small Business Men's Association.)

The American Institute of Public Opinion recently reported that one of the chief "areas of ignorance" among the American people is their failure to realize the high portion of the personal incomes which are taken by hidden taxes. Former President Herbert Hoover, in his 75th Birthday Address, spelled out for the American people their grossly excessive tax burden in a way no one could possibly misunderstand. He put it this way, "Out of the 235 working days in the year the average American works 61 days to pay his taxes."

Stop for a minute and figure out what this means to you. Multiply your daily wage or salary by sixty-one and that's what the government is taking out of your pocket as your share of the taxes it collects each year. If you make ten dollars a day your tax bills is over fifty dollars per month. Keep that in mind the next time you hear an office-holder telling all the things he has done for the American people.

Mr. Hoover also pointed out in his birthday speech that there are

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enough new spending programs under consideration by the Federal Government to take at least twenty more days' pay a year away from every employed person in the nation.

The fact that you cannot see the amount of tax you pay every time you make a purchase does not mean that you are not being taxed. In fact, because the bulk of your taxes are well concealed—hidden—is what enables the taxpayers to get away with throwing your money to the four winds all over the world.

The Illinois Federation of Retail Associations reported to its members that there are 126 hidden taxes in a pair of shoes, 78 hidden taxes in a quart of milk, 154 hidden taxes in a cake of soap, 83 hidden taxes in millady's coat and 47 in her dress, 201 in a gallon of gasoline, 142 in the farmer's plow, 53 in your hat, 145 in a pair of overalls, etc., on throughout a long list.

Yet, in the face of this excessive taxation our Federal Government is operating in the red. In the three months ending September 30, the deficit was \$1,211,440,000. These were three mighty prosperous months with tax receipts of \$9,237,648,000 representing a near-record

peacetime tax collection, being an increase of some \$113,519,000 over the corresponding boom quarter of the preceding year. So the deficit was not caused by a falling off in revenue but rather by a new mad wave of bureaucratic spending.

Where did all this extra spending money go? The largest single item of increased spending went to crop supports which jumped in the quarter ending September 30, from \$75,272,000 last year, to \$816,198,000 this year. This is the amount added to your food bill for three months in addition to the high price you paid for the food itself. Maybe Federal spending and high taxes don't mean anything to you personally; then again maybe they do.

One thing you can be sure of is that these back-breaking taxes and this grossly excessive spending will go on just as long as the "dumb taxpayers" will pay the bill. Every politician likes patronage, and the more there is to spend the more patronage there is to dish out. That's the way it is, and that's the way it will be until the American people start yelling at the top of their lungs for economy. Then when there are more votes to be gotten by economy than by big spending the expenditures will melt away

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Sunday-Monday January 1-2

"Yes Sir, That's My Baby"
Donald O'Connor—Charles Coburn—Gloria DeHaven
"SEAL ISLAND" by WALT DISNEY
NEWS and CARTOON

Tuesday-Wednesday January 3-4

"The Great Dan Patch"
Dennis O'Keefe—Gail Russell
March of Time—"FIGHT FOR BETTER SCHOOLS"
CARTOON NEWS



Rev. Robert H. Harper

The Continuing Band of Disciples
Lesson for January 1, 1950: Acts 1: 1-14

Memory Selection: Acts 1: 8

THE FIRST QUARTER we study the early church, with lessons from the Acts and the Epistles. A passage of Acts is found in all the 13 lesson texts of the quarter.

The Book of Acts was written through careful research by one who was a companion of Paul and who had some contact with other apostles. Luke, a physician, was the author, and the only Gentile among the writers of the New Testament. His Gospel records the ministry of Jesus, the Acts the ministry of the Holy Ghost.

Jesus employed the 40 days following his resurrection in talking with the disciples about the Gospel and the work of the kingdom. Some questions of the disciples were not answered, but definite was the promise of power (Acts 1:7, 8). The promise of power was the gift of the Holy Ghost (Acts 1:5).

After the ascension, the disciples went into the upper room, to continue steadfastly in prayer, a fit employment for those who were soon to form the Christian church and to turn the "world upside down."

This is a good lesson for New Year's Day. The expectation of better things in 1950, under the presence of the Holy Ghost, and with continuing prayer to that end, should be the attitude of God's people as they face a new year of opportunity and service. Let us make this day a holy day of consecration to the work of the kingdom of God.

like a snowball in that well-known hot place.

It's just that simple, Mr and Mrs America. If you want lower prices and want to spend more of your own money for clothes, furniture, better food, better housing, etc., start yelling and keep it up, it's your government and you have it in your power to have good or bad, wasteful or economical government. It's yours to choose.

I repeat, "How dumb can we get?"

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. F. Ernest Smith, Pastor

Following the custom of the Church, since the days of John Wesley, there will be a Watch Night Service at the Methodist Church this Saturday night with a social conducted by the Youth Fellowship from 9 to 10:45 to which all are cordially invited. And a devotional service in the sanctuary from 11 to 12 M., led by the pastor assisted by Evans Wilson and others. It is hoped that all attending the social will stay to watch the Old Year out and that every member of the Church will make a special effort to be present.

Sunday School at 9:45.
Sunday Morning Worship at 11 with sermon by the pastor on the theme "By Another Way," to be followed by Holy Communion.
The regular meeting of the Official Board at the close of the morning service.

Youth Fellowship at 6:30.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister

The Church School meets Sunday at 9:30.

The Ladies Club will hold a regular bi-monthly meeting Thursday at 2:30 in the Chapel. Mrs. Ruby Briggs is in charge of the program. Mrs. Jannette Trefethen is the devotional leader.

"Before and After" will be the topic of the Pastor's sermon Sunday morning. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated during the service of worship.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

The Lesson-Sermon used in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, is available to everyone who desires to study it.
Golden Text: "Who is so great a God as our God?" (Psalms 77:13).

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Deaths—Herbert C. Rowe, LaFayette, York, Alan Tyler, Will Hutchinson, Mrs. Minnie Merritt, Ray Hanscom.

20 YEARS AGO

The municipal skating rink, sponsored by the Lion's Club, was opened on the Common, Christmas Day.

Snow and wind kept the road breakers busy, drifts six feet deep were reported Christmas morning.

40 YEARS AGO

Work was resumed at the chair factory after a few week's vacation and the long lumber mill was started.

Deaths—Delmer Edwards, Edwin C. Rowe.

BORN

In Rumford, Dec. 27, to Mr and Mrs Raymond Greenwood of Bethel, a son.

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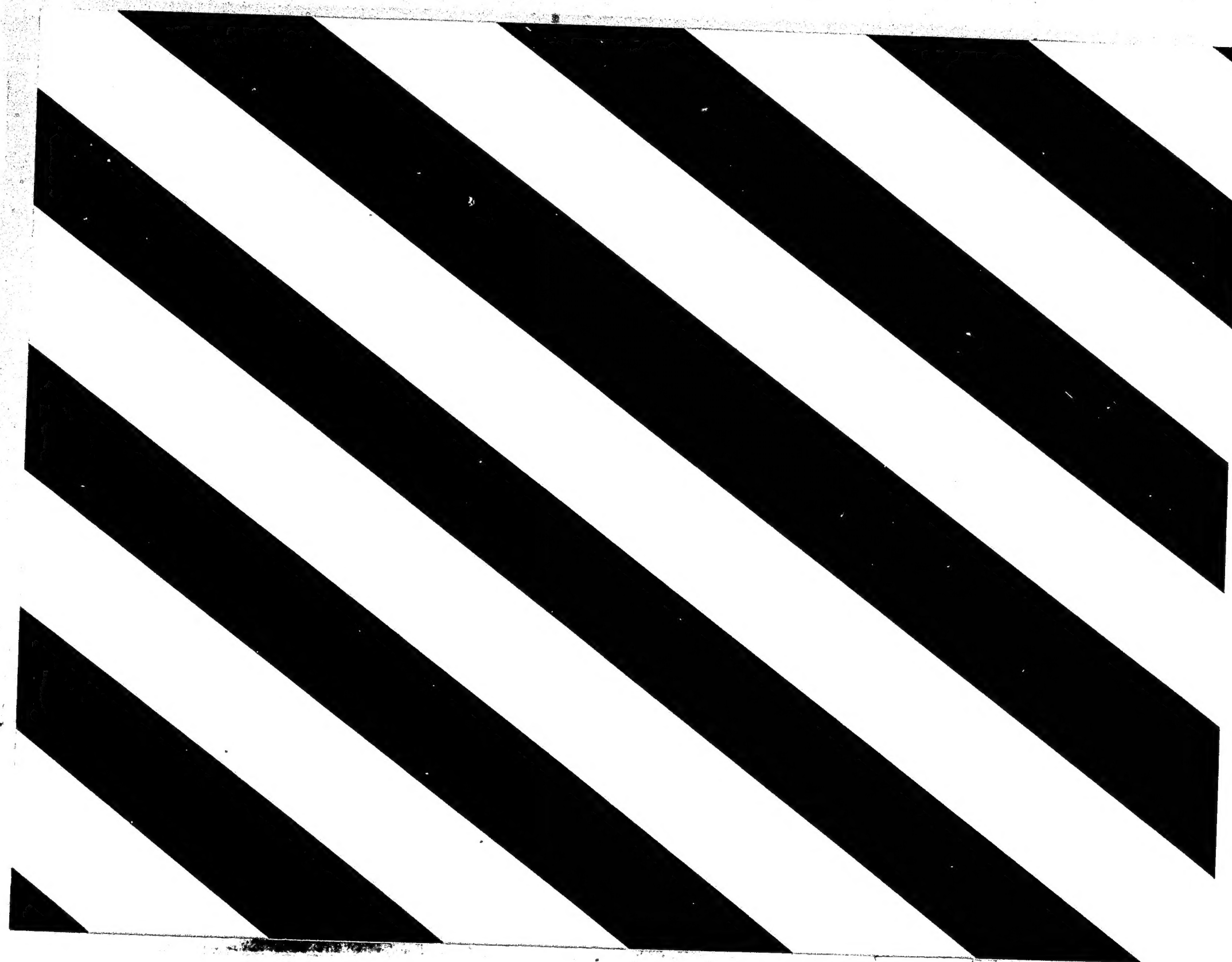
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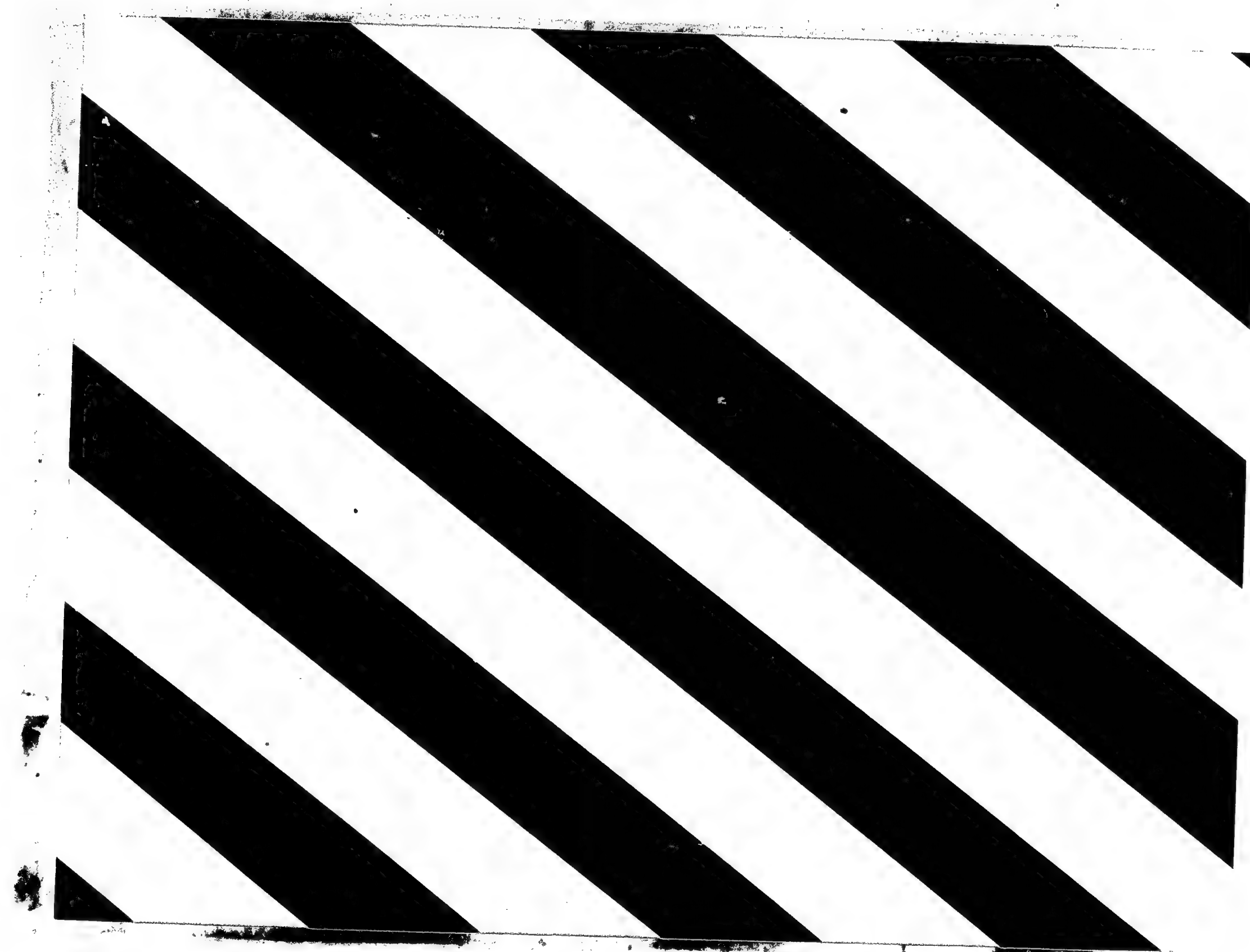
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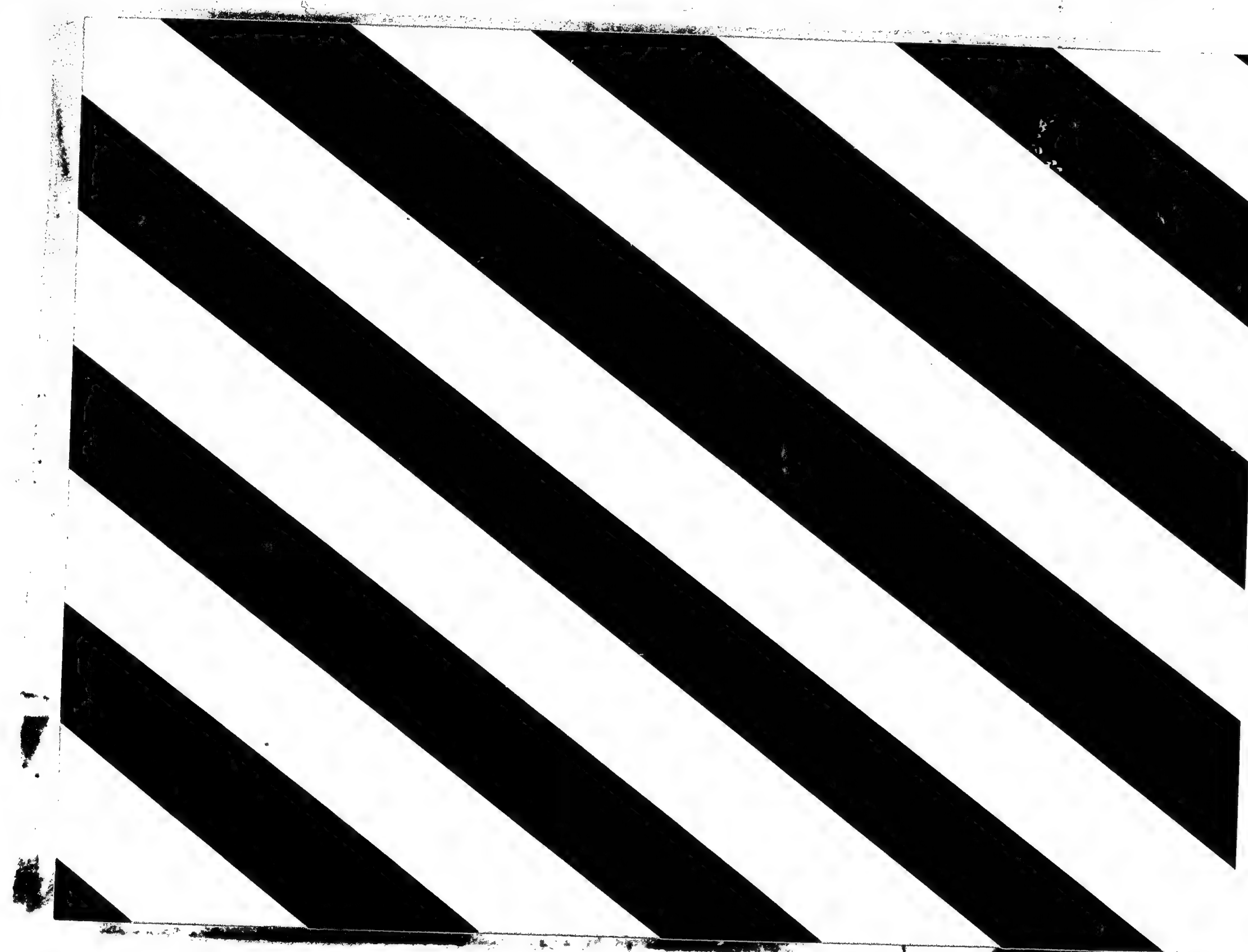
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